

ADVISING GUIDE

Social Work, B.S. Four Year Course Plan Full-Time Practicum

First Year

| Fall Semester | | | |
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| Course | Number | Title | Credits |
| LEP | 101 | First Year Seminar | 3 |
| ENG | 151 | Academic Writing | 4 |
| COMM | 110 | Essentials of Public Presentations | 3 |
| SOCI | 101 | Introduction to Sociology | 3 |
| Goal Area 6 course | | | 3 |
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| Spring Semester | | | |
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| Course | Number | Title | Credits |
| SWRK | 234 | Introduction to Social Work and Social Welfare | 3 |
| PSYC | 101 | General Psychology | 3 |
| Goal Are | Goal Area 3 course with Lab | | |
| PHIL | 103 | Ethics | 3 |
| Any elective course | | | 3 |
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Second Year

| Fall Semester | | | | |
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| Course | Number | Title | Credits | |
| ENG | 251 | Writing in Professions | 3 | |
| Goal Are | Goal Area 4 course | | | |
| INDS | 101 | Introduction to Indigenous Nations and Dakota Studies | 3 | |
| SWRK | 330 | Basic Interviewing | 3 | |
| Any elective course | | | 3 | |
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| Spring Semester | | | |
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| Course | Number | Title | Credits |
| PSYC | 200 | Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences | 3 |
| PSYC | 200L | Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences Lab | 1 |
| POL | 220 | American National Government | 3 |
| PSYC | 260 | Developmental Psychology | 3 |
| Any elective course | | | 3 |
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Third Year

| Fall Semester | | | |
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| Course | Number | Title | Credits |
| SWRK | 340* | Human Behavior in the Social Environment | 3 |
| PSYC | 235 | Abnormal Psychology | 3 |
| Goal Are | 3 | | |
| Goal Area 3 course (can meet Goal Area 10 as well) | | | 3 |
| Goal Area 3 lab | | | 1 |
| Any elective course | | | 3 |

| Spring Semester | | | | |
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| Course | Number | Title | Credits | |
| SWRK | 342* | Generalist Social Work Practice I | 3 | |
| SWRK | 343* | Generalist Social Work Practice II | 3 | |
| SWRK | 351* | Diverse and At-Risk Populations | 3 | |
| Goal Area 8 course | | | 3 | |
| Any elective course | | | 3 | |
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Fourth Year

| Fall Semester | | | |
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| Course | Number | Title | Credits |
| SWRK | 344* | Generalist Social Work Practice III | 3 |
| SWRK | 402* | Social Welfare Policy | 3 |
| SWRK | 484** | Pre-Field Seminar | 1 |
| SOCI | 315* | Applied Social Research | 3 |
| Any elective course (upper division) | | | 3 |
| Any elective course | | | 3 |

| Spring Semester | | | | |
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| Course | Number | Title | Credits | |
| SWRK | 485** | Social Work Field Seminar | 4 | |
| SWRK | 499** | Field Practicum | 8 | |
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Notes: * these courses are offered fall and spring in the online program option

Notes: ** these field practicum courses are offered fall, spring and summer in the online program option

Students are strongly encouraged to discuss and design an academic course plan with their advisor. Students should meet with their advisor on a regular basis. Failure to do so could result in not getting courses when needed, in proper sequence or finishing in four years. It is the student's responsibility to know and understand the graduation requirements for their major as presented in the SMSU catalog effective the semester they began their enrollment.

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